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**RESPONSE**

Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated August 10, 2007 issued in the above-identified U.S. patent application. A request for a one month extension of time and the appropriate fee are also submitted herewith. In view of the following remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.